

## NATIONAL HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY ACT

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Science, Research and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 3131, National High-Performance Computer Technology Act of 1989. Testimony was heard from Fred W. Weingarten, Senior Associate, OTA; D. Allan Bromley, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; William Wulf, Assistant Director, Computer and Information Science and Engineering, NSF; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

## COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct:* Met in executive session to consider pending business.

## BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION—REVIEW MISSIONS OF DVA MEDICAL CENTERS

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Hospitals and Health Care held a hearing on the Secretary's proposed blue ribbon commission to review the missions of DVA medical centers. Testimony was heard from Edward J. Derwinski, Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans' organizations.

## LONG-TERM STRATEGY ON THE ENVIRONMENT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Concluded hearings on Long-Term Strategy on the Environment. Testimony was heard from Representatives Brown of California, Miller of California, Lewis of California, Boxer, Foglietta, Bosco and Chapman; and public witnesses.

## INTELLIGENCE BUDGET

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Program and Budget Authorization met in executive session to continue hearings on fiscal year 1991 Intelligence Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

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**Thursday, March 15, 1990**

## Senate

### Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, March 20, 1990.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 4277–4295; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 520–522, and H. Con. Res. 288 and 289 were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 346, providing amounts from the contingent fund of the House for the expenses of investigations and studies by standing and select committees of the House in the second session of the One Hundred First Congress (H. Rept. 101–419);

Report from the Committee on Government Operations entitled "U.S. Marshals Service: Don't Arrest Oversight" (H. Rept. 101–420);

H.R. 908, to provide for five-year, staggered terms for members of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, amended (H. Rept. 101–421); and

H.R. 4167, to provide for a short-term extension of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (H. Rept. 101–422).

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**Journal:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 292 yeas to 98 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 25, the House approved the Journal of Wednesday, March 14.

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**Rural Economic Development:** House began reading for amendment under the 5-minute rule on H.R. 3581, entitled "The Rural Economic Development Act of 1989"; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration will resume at a later date.

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### Agreed To:

The de la Garza amendment en bloc that changes the effective date for certain provisions from fiscal year 1991 to 1992; clarifies provisions of the bill dealing with State review panels (specifying they are advisory in nature and the USDA should give consideration to the order in which prospective projects are listed by the review panels); and amends a provision of the bill which relates to depreciation rates used by the Rural Electrification Administration in determining the possibility of telephone loans;

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The Staggers amendment that requires State rural development coordinators to inform the local public as to the manner in which the Federal assistance will be provided to the State, and to coordinate the efforts of interested rural citizens with those of the State review panel;

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The Staggers amendment that permits small business management systems, which provide technical assistance to small businesses, to receive assistance from State revolving loan funds;

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The Boehlert amendment that authorizes \$3 million annually for competitive research grants to study the impact of Federal and State economic programs on rural economies;

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The Traficant amendment that permits the RDA to award a contract to a domestic firm rather than a foreign firm given certain restrictions and provides for criminal action against any person who fraudulently uses the "Made in America" inscription;

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The Rose amendment that eliminates provisions of the bill which authorizes the USDA to transfer funds of the bill to various rural development accounts (agreed to by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 27).

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Rejected the Tallon amendment that sought to remove from the governors of each State the power to appoint State officers or employees as rural development coordinators.

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The Dorgan amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to require OMB to create a plan which, by 1995, would provide that Federal contracts be distributed among the States so that the value of the contracts received is proportional to the State's population.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One quorum call, one yea-and-nay vote, and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 4413, 4450, and 4451.

**Adjournment:** Met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FARM BILL

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit and Rural Development and the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Research and Foreign Agriculture held a joint hearing to review water quality and environmental proposals for the 1990 Farm Bill. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stangeland and Lightfoot; Harry C. Mussman, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Science and Education, USDA; Carl Wisler, Director, Planning and Reporting, Program Evaluation and Methodology Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

### FARM BILL

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Cotton, Rice, and Sugar held a hearing to review the sugar title of the 1990 Farm Bill. Testimony was heard from Representatives Akaka and Schuette; John Campbell, Deputy Under Secretary, International Affairs and Commodity Programs, USDA; and public witnesses.

## COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the DEA, Organized Crime Drug Enforcement, and on the Department of Justice: General Administration; Fees and Expenses of Witnesses; U.S. Trustees; Community Relations Service; and on Foreign Claims Settlement Commission. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: John C. Lawn, Administrator, DEA; Donald B. Ayer, Deputy Attorney General; Harry H. Flickinger, Assistant Attorney General, General Administration; John Logan, Acting Director, U.S. Trustees; Grace Flores Hughes, Director, Community Relations Service; and Stanley J. Glod, Chairman, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission.

## DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on the following: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army; Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence; and on Airborne Reconnaissance Support Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. Donald S. Pihl, USA, Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development and Acquisition); Duane P. Andrews, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence); Duane P. Andrews, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence); and Martin C. Faga, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Space).

## ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Department of Energy: Departmental Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Jim E. Tarro, Acting Director, Administration and Human Resource Management; Jacqueline Knox Brown, Assistant Secretary, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs; John C. Layton, Inspector General, Melva Gibson Wray, Director, Office of Minority Economic Impact; Stephen A. Wakefield, General Counsel; John J. Easton, Jr., Assistant Secretary, International Affairs and Energy Emergencies; Linda G. Stuntz, Deputy Under Secretary, Policy, Planning and Analysis; and Mary Joy Jameson, Acting Director, Public Affairs.

## FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Promoting Political Stability, Democracy and Economic Opportunity. Testimony was heard from Reginald Bartholomew, Under Secretary, Security Assistance, Science and Technology, Department of State; David C.



Mulford, Under Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; Paul Wolfowitz, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; and Mark L. Edelman, Acting Administrator, AID.

#### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior concluded hearings on Indian Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor-HHS-Education held a hearing on the following: National Eye Institute; National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; National Institute on Aging; and the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services: Dr. Carl Kupfer, Director, National Eye Institute; Dr. David P. Rall, Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Dr. T. Franklin Williams, Director, National Institute on Aging; and Dr. Lawrence E. Shulman, Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculo-skeletal and Skin Diseases.

#### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Base Closures. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: David J. Berteau, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Production and Logistics); Brig. Gen. William A. Stofft, USA, Director, Management Directorate, Department of the Army; RAdm. Jack Buffington, USN, Director, Shore Facilities Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and James Boatright, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations).

#### RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AGRICULTURE AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture and Related Agencies held a hearing on the FDA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: James S. Benson, Acting Commissioner, FDA; and Dr. James O. Mason, Assistant Secretary, Health.

#### TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board. Testimony was heard from Stanley W. Smith, Chairman, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

#### TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE-GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury-Postal Service-General Government held a hearing on Federal Election Commission, and on the U.S. Tax Court.

Testimony was heard from Lee Ann Elliott, Chairman, Federal Election Commission; and Arthur L. Nims III, Chief Judge, U.S. Tax Court.

#### DOE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Department of Energy Defense Nuclear Facilities Panel held a hearing on Department of Energy environmental programs. Testimony was heard from Leo Duffy, Director, Office of Environment Restoration and Waste Management, Department of Energy; Frank L. Parker, Chairman, Board on Radioactive Waste Management, National Academy of Sciences; Vic Renzendes, Director, Energy Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### ACQUISITION ISSUES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Investigations held a hearing on acquisition related issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ireland and Slaughter; Eleanor Spector, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Procurement, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

Hearing continue March 29.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel and Compensation continued hearings on the manpower portion of the fiscal year 1991 National Defense authorization request, with emphasis on an update on the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative and the Composite Health Care System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: David P. Baine, Director, Federal Health Care Delivery Issues; and Daniel C. White, Special Assistant to the Assistant Comptroller General; Robert F. Hale, Assistant Director, National Security Division, CBO; and Dr. Enrique Mendez, Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Procurement and Military Nuclear Systems held a hearing on the procurement portion of the fiscal year 1991 National Defense authorization request, with emphasis on Navy and Marine Corps budget issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: VAdm. Richard M. Dunleavy, Assistant Chief, Naval Operations (Air Warfare); and Lt. Gen. C. H. Pitman, Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation, U.S. Marine Corps.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness continued hearings on the operation and maintenance portion of the fiscal year 1991 National Defense authorization request, with emphasis on Air Force readiness. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Lt. Gen. Leo W. Smith II,

USAF, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Resources Management; and Brig. Gen. John L. Finan, Director, Budget Operations.

Hearings continue March 20.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Research and Development continued hearings on the RDT&E portion of the fiscal year 1991 National Defense authorization request, with emphasis on the Air Force budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: John J. Welch, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Acquisition; and Lt. Gen. Ronald W. Yates, USAF, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Acquisition.

Hearings continue March 20.

## OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, Supervision, Regulation and Insurance continued oversight hearings on the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act, including consideration of the following bills: H.R. 4166, to merge the Office of Thrift Supervision into the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and H.R. 4059, Depositor Protection and Fraud Act of 1990. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 27.

## BUDGET PROPOSALS

*Committee on the Budget:* Concluded hearings on the Administration's fiscal year 1991 budget proposals. Testimony was heard from Representative Dellums.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SUPREME COURT

*Committee on the District of Columbia:* Subcommittee on Judiciary and Education forwarded to the full Committee, without recommendation, H.R. 4257, to create a supreme court for the District of Columbia.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE—RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OF TEACHERS

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Held a hearing on H.R. 4130, to provide financial assistance for the development, recruitment and training of teachers and other instructional personnel. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Continued markup of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1989.

Will continue March 20.

## WAR AND FAMINE IN THE SUDAN

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa and the Select Committee on Hunger held a joint hearing on War and Famine in the Sudan. Testimony was heard from Herman Cohen, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Afri-

can Affairs, Department of State; Andrew S. Natsios, Director, Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, AID; and public witnesses.

## INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS STRATEGY AND CERTIFICATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Task Force on International Narcotics Control concluded hearings to review the 1990 International Narcotics Control Strategy Report and the 1990 Narcotics Certifications. Testimony was heard from Melvyn Levitsky, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics Matters, Department of State; and David Westrate, Assistant Administrator, Operations, DEA, Department of Justice.

## EFFORTS AGAINST FRAUD, ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT IN BANKS AND S&L'S

*Committee on Government Operations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer and Monetary Affairs concluded hearings on the Justice Department and Bank Regulatory Agency Efforts Against Fraud, Abuse and Misconduct in Bank and S&L's and Implementation of Enforcement Provisions of FIRREA. Testimony was heard from Edward Dennis, Jr., Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Division), Department of Justice; Paul Fritts, Director of Supervision, FDIC; James Dudine, Director, Investigations, Resolution Trust Corporation; and the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Rosemary Stewart, Director, Office of Enforcement, Office of Thrift Supervision; and Robert Serino, Deputy Chief Counsel, Policy, Comptroller of the Currency.

## INDIANA DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE ACCESS AND ENHANCEMENT ACT

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3209, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Access and Enhancement Act.

## OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights held an oversight hearing on the Right to Privacy and Reproductive Freedom. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## FAA'S SAFETY REGULATORY AGENDA

*Committee on Public Works and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the FAA's Safety Regulatory Agenda. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FAA, Department of Transportation: Anthony J. Broderick, Associate Administrator, Regulation and Certification; Charles H. Huettner, Deputy Associate Administrator, Aviation Safety; and a public witness.

## POST-INTERSTATE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Public Works and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on reau-



thorization of the Post-Interstate Surface Transportation Programs. Testimony was heard from Representatives Erdreich, Schulze, Smith of Nebraska, Boucher, Bateman and Olin; Lawrence Douglas Wilder, Governor, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

#### **NATIONAL HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY ACT**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Science Research and Technology concluded hearings on H.R. 3131, National High-Performance Computer Technology Act of 1989. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **IMPACT OF PAYROLL TAXES ON SMALL BUSINESS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on the Impact of Payroll Taxes on Small Business. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **INTELLIGENCE BUDGET**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Program and Budget Authorization met in executive session to continue hearings on fiscal year 1991 Intelligence Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Hearings continue March 20.

### ***Joint Meetings***

#### **ECONOMIC OUTLOOK**

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded hearings to review the economic outlook for 1990, and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1991 for the Federal Government, after receiving testimony from Richard G. Darman, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

#### **VETERANS PROGRAMS**

*Joint Hearing:* Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review legislative recommendations of certain veterans organizations, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from F. David Parker, Aloha, Oregon, on behalf of the Paralyzed Veterans of America; Henry Berube, Warren, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Blinded Veterans Association; Murray Rosen, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the Jewish War Veterans; John Edwards, Niskayuna, New York, on behalf of the American Ex-Prisoners of War; and Ernest Brown, Garden City, Michigan, on behalf of the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

**Monday, March 19, 1990**

## **Senate**

### ***Chamber Action***

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, March 20, 1990.

### ***Committee Meetings***

No committee meetings were held.

## **House of Representatives**

### ***Chamber Action***

**Bills Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 4296-4307 were introduced.

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**Report Filed:** One report was filed as follows: H.R. 2566, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer all right, title, and interest of the United States in certain property on San Juan Island, Washington, to those persons who own such property because of an erroneous survey, amended (H. Rept. 101-423).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Montgomery as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Journal:** House approved the Journal of Thursday, March 15, after agreeing to the Walker amendment that strikes Executive Communication 2748, a letter from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1989.

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Earlier, the House failed to approve the Journal by a voice vote.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** Met at noon and adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

### ***Committee Meetings***

#### **IRRIGATION SUBSIDIES REFORM ACT**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Wheat, Soybeans and Feed Grains held a hearing on H.R. 2386, Irrigation Subsidies Reform Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Gejdenson, Condit, Petri, and Pashayan;